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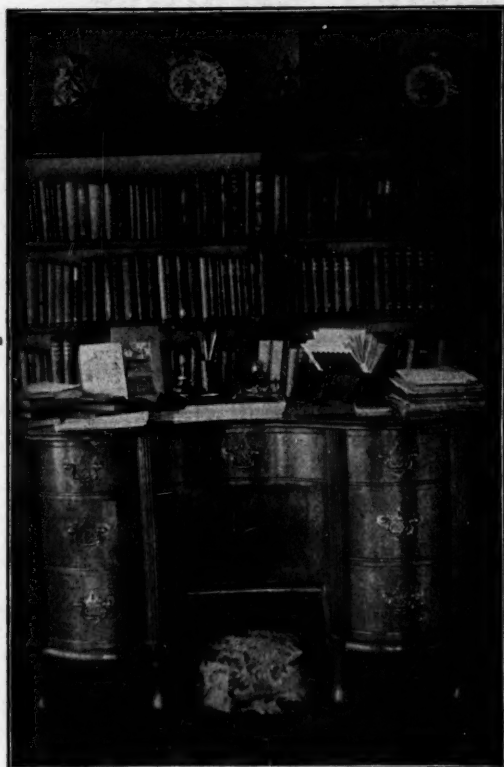
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A PRAYER

SHOW us, heavenly Father, that we belong to one another, and all to thee; that man is one, that society is one, that in a great house there are vessels of silver, vessels of honor and vessels of inferiority; but the roof is one, the enclosure is one, the ownership is one. In my Father's house are many mansions. Show us that the old and the young belong to the same family, and that we must make way for one another by ascension, leaving those who come behind to continue the fight and turn the war to conquest. Give us nobler thoughts, brighter conception, a sense of more delightful and vital fellowship with thyself. Then we shall have no pain, no fear, no dread of tomorrow, bring with it what it may; nor shall there be any more sea, or crying, or pain, or night, or death, but life shall be one loud triumph-song. This is what we are aiming at. This is our hope and aspiration.
—*Dr. Parker.*



FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



The editor, also, would send greetings to every Roll Call and Membership meeting and to each auxiliary member; especially to those *new* members and *new* HELPER readers whom we hope to welcome in goodly numbers as the result of the new plans for the future. Please study most carefully the Plan of the Joint Committee of General Conference and the Woman's Missionary Society, with the "Conditions" on accepting it. Note that there will be no change in our auxiliaries or our special work, so that all who have felt responsibility for or love of some definite object, or missionary, or child, can work exactly as before. On the other hand, those

who have felt that the general work was divided in such a way that they hesitated to help one division for fear of depriving the other, need have no further hesitation about doing with their might all that their hands and their hearts find to do, along any lines of denominational missionary work, only remembering that the various enterprises adopted by Free Baptists ought to be, and must be, loyally and amply supported by us as a people; that this is our privilege; that it demands our love, our prayers, our work, our money; and, whatever our opinions may be regarding ways and means of gaining the desired results, let us keep the steady optimism that "helps make the worst better and the best a benediction." . . . The last days of August and the first of September I spent happily in Guilford, N. H., in the home of the pastors of our church there, the Rev's Mr. and Mrs. Gammon—an ideal partnership, it seemed to me, as I observed it, both at home and in the pulpit. Mr. Gammon took me to the hilltop where was the original church building,

many years ago, and I felt as if I stood on sacred ground; for it was here, in June, 1834, on the occasion of the New Hampshire Yearly Meeting, that Rev. Amos Sutton gave his impassioned plea for India, to an audience of about three thousand people, and the first large offering for missions among Free Will Baptists was taken. Not one stone remains to mark the exact spot where the church stood, but the influence of that plea is woven into the very fabric of our foreign work. It was my privilege to meet one of the dear saints and shut-ins, who has "taken the HELPER since the very first number;" to show the India curios at a meeting of the W. C. T. U., as well as to other friends; to take long drives, to climb a mountain, to see beautiful Lake Winnepesaukee in its many moods, and to feel the inspiration and help that come from the vast encircling hills, magnificent beyond description. . . . One of our "mothers in Israel," Mrs. E. S. Cole, who now lives with her daughter in Hyde Park, Mass., received many congratulations and good wishes on her birthday in August. She writes, "I had a very sweet birthday with so many letters and words of love. I want to tell you how much I love our denomination; our Woman's Missionary Society, with which I have been associated from its beginning; the *Morning Star*, which I have read ever since I can remember; and every issue of the HELPER is more and more precious." . . . Attention is called to the important Open Letter on fourth page of cover, also to Mrs. Chapman's announcement. Are you not glad of the interesting sketch of the life of Miss Dawson, and of the beautiful and touching story of "Seba?" . . . Dr. Shirley Smith writes, "Our expenses have increased enormously. Rice is much more expensive than it has been for years. Possibly it has never—except perhaps in famine time in this district—been so dear as now. For instance, last year, during June and July, we paid rupees 75 for the girls' rice. This year we paid nearly rupees 125 for the same two months. The appropriation will need to be enlarged." . . . The report of the Fifteenth Annual Executive Session of the National Council of Women, held in April at Toledo, Ohio, is full of suggestion and interest. Surely the world moves, and women have a hand on the tiller,—with increasing wisdom, and deepening love for all the world, we believe, as they know each other better through such an organization as this. It was recently our privilege to hear an address on the National Council, by Mrs. May Wright Sewell, and it made us glad and grateful that we are a part of this body of workers. Mrs. H. M. Ford and Rev. Elizabeth Moody were appointed to represent us at Toledo and were ready to go, when illness in their families prevented.

A GLIMPSE AT THE WOMAN'S CONVENTION

The meetings at Ocean Park are only a memory, and we look forward to our annual convention so soon to be held in Lowell. "Only a memory?" That surely is not quite true; for, however unconscious we may be of the fact, we cannot listen, day after day, to the expression of helpful thoughts, the report of work heroically and successfully carried on, and come in contact with persons full of enthusiasm for the special phase of work in which they are peculiarly interested, without getting something which becomes a part of our lives.

The Educational Bureau of Ocean Park deserves our thanks for the character and quality of the program, furnished freely during the three days of the Woman's Convention. The morning devotionals, led by Mrs. Webber of New Hampshire, Miss Berry of Maine and Miss Angell of Rhode Island, were indeed "heart meetings," as one young woman expressed it. The first afternoon meeting, August 16, was opened by Mrs. Ricker, president of the Bureau; then Miss DeMeritte introduced Mrs. Spinney, Secretary of the Metaphysical Club of Boston, Mass., who spoke on "How the Emotions and the Breathing Make and Unmake Health." Mrs. Spinney's words were the more effective because the practice of what she preaches has brought health to herself. What might it not do for any of us to eliminate hurry and worry, and live the life of the spirit *in the midst of* the drudgery of every day, as well as in the quiet hour alone. The continued discussion of the speaker's ideas, and the frequently expressed desire to hear her again, indicate that the seed sown has fallen on good ground! The evening reception, when both Temple and guests were in gala attire, was preeminently a place in which to get acquainted with your neighbor, whoever he or she might be at the moment; but an attractive program was provided as a prelude to the social hour.

The great day was August 17, Missionary Field Day, when many auxiliaries were represented, and all had opportunity to meet and greet the missionaries who were with us, as well as general officers of the Woman's Missionary Society and well known workers, among whom were Prof. Brackett and family of Storer College, Annie Dudley Bates, one of the pioneer workers among the freedmen at Harper's Ferry, Frances Stewart Mosher, Mrs. MacDonald of Storer, and others. After a basket lunch and a song service in the grove, the afternoon Missionary Conference was opened in Porter Memorial Hall, by the leader, Mrs.

Thomas, President of the Saco auxiliary. A very interesting paper on the work at Storer College during the past year was read by Mrs. Metcalf, who is one of the trustees. This paper will appear in the *HELPER*, later. Mrs. Harriet Phillips Stone gave an address on Kindergarten Work in India, her own belief in and enthusiasm for this work arousing belief and enthusiasm in her hearers. Mrs. Beebee Phillips Howells, our first kindergarten missionary, spoke of her present work in Cuttack, India. Mrs. Katherine Hartley was introduced and brought greeting to the Woman's Missionary Society. Mrs. Hamlen spoke of her joy in returning to India this fall, and of the encouraging reports from Balasore, fifty-five persons having been baptised in the past few months. Mrs. A. D. Chapman called attention to the supplies from the Bureau of Missionary Intelligence which she had on exhibition. The day closed with an illustrated lecture on India, by Rev. Lewis Malvern, D. D., who brought our foreign field very near to us, and in a most delightful manner.

Saturday afternoon, August 18, Mrs. Sarah Rideout Abbott gave a charming talk on "Neighboring with Nature at Ocean Park," telling us many interesting things about our little friends in feathers and fur; our neighbors of petal and frond, moss and mushroom, shell and seaweed. The afternoon was all too short for the many questions asked, and we hope that Mrs. Abbott can continue her story next summer.

There were many callers at our *HELPER* Sanctum, these days—twenty, one afternoon; and they represented many states and several countries. But the good-byes have been said. Red leaves are showing on the maples. Winter's work is before us; and we call to one another from our various places, "Till we meet again."

"The Mohammedans have the custom when they receive a present of thanking God first, then the giver. If you do them a favor, they will say: 'I thank God for your kindness to me.' Some may comply rather thoughtlessly with this custom, which they have inherited from their fathers. But many certainly say it with their whole heart."

A New Station in the Niger Region.—Dr. Miller of the Church Missionary Society has received permission to establish himself at Zaria in the old Sokoto territory, about 150 miles northerly from the Niger at Lokoja. If he is allowed to stay, an important foothold will have been gained among Mohammedans.

THE BURDEN

"O God," I cried, "why may I not forget?
 These halt and hurt in life's hard battle
 Throng me yet.
 Am I their keeper? Only I—to bear
 This constant burden of their grief and care?
 Why must I suffer for the others' sin?
 Would that my eyes had never opened been!"
 And the thorn-crowned and Patient One
 Replied, "*They thronged Me, too; I too have seen.*"

"Thy other children go at will," I said,
 Protesting still.
 "They go, unheeding. But these sick and sad,
 These blind and orphan, yea, and those that sin
 Drag at my heart. For them I serve and groan.
 Why is it? Let me rest, Lord. I have tried——"
 He turned and looked at me; "*But I have died.*"

"But, Lord, this ceaseless travail of my soul!
 This stress! This often fruitless toil
 These souls to win!
 They are not mine. I brought not forth this host
 Of needy creatures, struggling, tempest-tossed—
 They are not mine."
 He looked at them—the look of one divine!
 He turned and looked at me; "*But they are Mine.*"

"O God." I said, "I understand at last.
 Forgive! and henceforth I will bond-slave be
 To Thy least, weakest, vilest ones,
 I would not more be free."
 He smiled, and said, "*It is to Me.*"

—*Lucy Rider Meyer.*

OUR SUPERINTENDENT OF SINCLAIR ORPHANAGE

Mary Ethel Dawson was born at Prestwich, Lancashire, England, on May 21st, 1877. Her parents were much respected, both being members of well known families. They attended the Wesleyan church where Mr. Dawson had for years been leading tenor in the choir.

According to the custom of that church baby Ethel was to be christened. A new church had been built in the village, and this was to be the first christening in it. The members of the choir decided that the service should be fully choral; and, to keep it for a surprise to the father and mother, had private practice when Mr. Dawson was not present. A dear man of God, Rev. Charles Garrett, was president of the Conference,

and they hoped he would officiate on this occasion, but other duties called him away. It so happened that, just at this time, a missionary from India was visiting the church and took the service that morning. Mrs. Dawson was very much disappointed when she saw the stranger in the pulpit, and learned it was intended he should christen the baby.

However, there was no help for it and she gave the child into his arms. No special significance was attached to it at the time, but she has since often spoken of the earnestness with which he prayed the baby



MISS DAWSON

might grow up to be a good woman and become a missionary to India. God heard that prayer and in His own way brought about the answer.

Six months later the parents moved from Prestwich to Blackpool, a seaport town on the coast of the Atlantic, and here they lived until Ethel was nine years of age. She attended the Wesleyan day school and made good progress with her studies. Her mother had never been very strong, but gradually she grew worse, and the doctor said the only hope of prolonging her life was immediate removal to a warmer climate. Many places were thought of and finally Australia was decided upon as the one best suited to her condition.

Brisbane was reached in March, 1887, and the family stayed for a few months near the city, afterwards moving into the country.

There was a very good school there, the master of which took special interest in the pupils. Ethel enjoyed her studies under him, and was soon head of the class. When her parents moved back again into the city, some years later, she attended one of the city schools.

It was at this time she was converted. A schoolmate, who was attending a Mission Hall Sunday school, asked Ethel to accompany her one Sunday. She decided, with the mother's permission, she would go there regularly instead of to the Sunday school at the church, close by. Here she was brought face to face with Christ, and she realized she was a sinner and needed a personal Saviour. There was a sharp struggle out of the darkness, then the clear, definite knowledge that He had saved her—a knowledge that has never since been shaken.

The subject of baptism was brought before her, and believing it to be a direct command of the Lord, she willingly obeyed. From this time she became an active worker, and a longing for the salvation of others took possession of her.

Some time later she entered a business firm and worked up until she became head of the bookbinding department. About this time the need of China was brought before her, and a longing came into her heart to become a missionary there. All to whom she mentioned it discouraged the idea, saying, "Your place is at home," "The Lord is using you here," "China is full of missionaries," etc., etc. Many of these people were earnest Christians whose opinion she felt bound to respect; consequently it carried great weight, and while not losing sight of the desire, she sadly settled down saying, "Oh, well, I suppose such an honor is not for me, but if only He would send me to China, how happy I should be!"

Other lands and missions had an interest in her prayers, but China was the great absorbing thought and, amid the activities of other secular and Christian work, would come back with overwhelming force.

But during all these years God was shaping and directing her life, and that prayer prayed *twenty years before* was to have an abundant answer. She was learning to know God in a way that was to stand her in good stead when the answer should come. In the daily round of the business life she was learning to know Him as the prayer-hearing and prayer-answering God. A prayer meeting was started during the lunch hour, when she and another met to plead for the souls in the workrooms, to be joined afterwards by others who were saved as a result of those prayers. It took a good deal of courage to remain firm under the ridicule of those who laughed at them, but the blessings received were acknowledged by all. During a time of great financial depression, when other firms were dismissing employees, because of slackness of work, theirs not only had sufficient work to keep all going, but they often had to work overtime besides.

At about this time, Dr. and Mrs. Howard Taylor, of the China Inland Mission, visited Brisbane, and held a meeting in the church which Ethel attended. As Mrs. Taylor told of the needs of China, again the

longing came and with it the conviction that the Lord wanted her for the heathen. During the singing of the last verse of the hymn, "When I survey the wondrous cross,"

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my life, my soul, my all.

she definitely gave herself to the Lord for the work, asking Him to open the way, in His own way and time. Afterward she had an interview with Mrs. Taylor who encouraged and cheered her, suggesting a line of study which she could pursue in the meantime, while waiting for the way to open. Here was something definite to work for, and three and four o'clock in the morning would see her seated at her table deep in study. At night, after returning from business, all the fatigue of the day was forgotten when the books were opened.

There was one great obstacle in the way of her offering herself at once for China; that was her father's consent. He said he could never think of letting her go. Though greatly disappointed, Ethel still kept on, saying she would never go unless her father gave a full and glad consent. God's commands never cross each other, and His command, "Honor thy father and thy mother" is just as binding as "Go ye into all the world," and she knew if God was leading He would break down all barriers.

Twelve months, eighteen months, passed by, and still the way did not open. At last, during the reading of an appeal from India, at a Missionary Meeting in her own home, the deep conviction came, that it was to be in India and not in China she was to labor with Him. Then began the fiercest struggle of all—"Oh, Lord, don't send me to India. I'll go to China, if you wish; but I can't go to India." Tenderly He led, and His love broke down the stubborn will until she was able to say, "Lord, if Thou wilt only open the way, I'll go to India with Thee."

When spoken to about it, her mother voiced Ethel's own fears in the words, "I am sure if your father would not allow you to go to China, he will never give his consent for India." However, she went to ask him and the reply was, "She may go to India, but not to China." Here was the abundant answer and the fulfilment of God's own purpose.

Every other barrier was removed, and in October, 1900, she sailed for India. The money for her passage came in answer to prayer. She went first to Mourbhanj, a native State thirty miles to the north of Balasore, but feeling she could not work under the conditions there, she left, and in January, 1904, joined our Free Baptist Mission, where she is now superintendent of Sinclair Orphanage, taking charge when Miss Barnes left for America. She learned the Oriya language very well while in Mourbhanj and has many characteristics which help to make her a good missionary. Her kindness and politeness of manner to all make her

charming, and her sympathy and deep spirituality are blessings to those who know her. Unless there was a positive hindrance, I never knew her to neglect her "morning watch." Altho' she desired to go, she did not wait to go to China before she began to work for the Chinese. There are Chinese in Brisbane, Australia. About three years after she came to India her mother was in a meeting where a Chinaman gave his testimony. He said, "Miss Dawson, who went to India, led me to Christ."

Opportunities differ, but it is not so much *where* we live, but *how* we live. An earnest, consecrated life for God will tell, will bear fruit, in any country. "Herein is my Father glorified that ye bear much fruit."
"B."

SEBA

BY MRS. JULIA P. BURKHOLDER

Seba is a young man about twenty-three years of age, rather below medium height, slight in figure, face badly pitted by smallpox, voice almost feminine, and with a modest bearing. His home is near Babai-gardia, where we used to have a branch church. His parents are very poor. When a child he attended a school in his village, taught by one of our Christian women. He never went beyond the Third Reader, but became interested in what he learned about the Bible, and determined to become a Christian. Many times, he says, he was on the point of being baptized, but one thing after another hindered him. When he became of age he told his parents and friends he was going to be a Christian. As he was soon to be married the people said, "We see, now, why you want to be a Christian, for you know we can't eat with you, so you won't have to feed us at your wedding." This decided him to be married first and feed them well before breaking caste, and so convince them of his sincerity. In telling his story he said, "I invited lots and lots of people, fed them and told them I was going to be a Christian. They drew me out into an open place, formed a circle about me and quizzed me. The Lord stood by and gave me strength to be firm. The devil did tempt me by telling me to send away those who were regarded as leaders among us, and I decided to do it, but I was wrong, and the Lord did not allow it, for there came such a heavy rain that no one could go home. The next day Mr. Murphy came to our village. The people shut my wife in the house and told her she should not go with me. I said to her, 'Now, I am going to be baptized. If you don't wish to come with me, I'll let you go home to your father.' She said, 'Why should I leave you? We have been married; I'll go where you go.' We still had on our yellow wedding garments, and Mr. Murphy baptized us before all our people. They would not let us go home after that, but put us into a tiny mud hut, but that made no difference, we were happy. This was three years ago."

Soon after this he was allowed to open a school in his village. His heart was overflowing with joy. Again and again he said, "I didn't know

much, had just read to the Third book, but I told the people what the Lord had done for me. We were very poor, but that made no difference." A year and a half ago his father and mother were baptized at the Santipore Mela. The four could thus live together. Seba was so full of the Spirit and so much in earnest, that a preacher was sent to his village to help him. Our churches united in building a house for the preacher, and paying his salary.

We have just had our Q. M. which Seba attended. In his simple childlike way he told us how the work is progressing in his village. Since his parents were baptized, his sister and her daughter have been converted and joined them. A short time ago a woman who had been a lewd character expressed a desire to become a Christian. Of her Seba said: "At first we gave her no encouragement, for we thought it impossible that she could be cleansed from her wicked life, but then we remembered how Christ forgave the sins of that wicked woman, when He was on earth, so we began praying for her. Her husband was a leper. She met with a great deal of opposition but she has been saved. She is a poor, ignorant creature, cannot read, but she can pray. My! how she prays and cries! She cries and cries until we all cry and pray with her. Once I was sitting on my veranda reading my Bible, when I heard a strange noise. I listened and listened, and found it was that woman crying and telling the Lord what a great sinner she had been. She had gone back to her husband and he has been converted. Now we are all praying that he may be healed, and already the leprous spots are disappearing, and he says he is better. We want Christ to be glorified in him."

His sister and her daughter have gone to Midnapore to attend school and work. All who speak of them tell of their wonderful gift in prayer and testimony.

When asked if they paid tithes, Seba said, "Yes, we do. Ever since we learned about that we have been giving a tenth of our vegetables and chickens, and when we harvest our rice a tenth of that will be given. Every Sunday each one of us give a pice, and every time we cook, which is twice a day, a handful of rice is laid aside for the Lord. We are all poor, my mother is old, my wife is ignorant, but we have decided that we shall give this whether we have anything or not. My father, mother and wife take their hoes and work in the fields. I get Rs4 a month (\$1.33) for my work as a teacher, and we are contented and happy. We have already bought a small clock and a gong for the church services and school, and the Lord is blessing us. If you don't believe me just come and see for yourselves. We meet every evening for worship. When several brethren came to see us they said they would cook for themselves and not depend upon us, but I said, "The idea! You think we can't care for you? Of course we will!"

In speaking of different women, he said, "They are not good looking, they are ignorant, they wear coarse clothes, but they have learned to pray. You should hear them. No human being taught them; it was the

Lord's work." They have got hold of the new revival hymns and in telling us about their singing, Seba said, "We have learned those beautiful hymns and we sing them. We have not good voices, and we sing in a very crooked way, and our tunes have nothing to do with the hymns, but we understand the words and sing with our hearts." Since hearing of revivals in different places, he has been praying for their village. The pastor told them he had had a vision in which he saw a spring opened, but Seba said, "We are not satisfied with a spring, we are praying for a flood. Last Saturday I had a vision in which I saw streams coming down."

Brother Sachi and several young men visited Seba's and the neighboring villages, and found the people eager to hear the message. They say, "Tell us what we must do to be saved. We know that we are sinners and our idol worship does not satisfy us." They see the power of the gospel in the changed lives of Seba and his company. His father was a hard drinker before, and now lives a clean, honest life; the woman who was a sinner has been saved, and the leper is being cleansed. What better witness could be given?

I need not ask your prayers for these people. This is our Home Mission field. Another worker is now needed. O, the vast, vast field! O, the transforming power of our Christ! Praise His great and holy name!

Balasore, India, Aug. 1, '06.

PLAN OF JOINT COMMITTEE

The following plan of the Joint Committee was adopted by the Conference Board in July, 1905:—

1. That General Conference of Free Baptists, or General Conference Board, shall have general control of all work in India.
2. That the Woman's Missionary Society shall pay quarterly into the treasury of General Conference all money received from any and every source for the current work in India, including the income from invested funds given for such work, or any funds designated by the Woman's Missionary Society for India, under such conditions as may be mutually agreed upon; as, for example, regarding the property of the Woman's Missionary Society in India.
3. That General Conference become financially responsible for all work in India.
4. That the HELPER shall be open to the presentation of the Missionary interests of the denomination.
5. That the India committee shall consist of all missionaries in the field, who have been in service one year in India.
6. That all changes in or modifications of this plan, or details necessary for its operation, shall be submitted to the Executive Boards of

the respective bodies and be ratified by them before such action shall become binding upon either.

Conditions upon accepting plan of General Conference:

The Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society accepts the plan submitted by the Conference Board with the understanding and on conditions as follows:

1. That in accepting the Plan we wish to call attention to the fact that the work in India, now being done by the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society for which the General Conference promises, under this new Plan, to become financially responsible, is in excess of the amount now contributed specifically for India by our constituency, for which excess the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society will be, under the Plan, in no way responsible.

2. That, in accepting this Plan we do it on condition that at least one-third of the Board of General Conference shall continue to be women.

3. That an itemized list of children in Sinclair Orphanage, Zenana Teachers, Bible Women, Widows and Schools now supported by the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society, with the names of persons and societies now supporting them, be kept by the treasurer of General Conference and be wholly revised as often as once in three years. That whenever the list is revised a copy shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society so that she can make or change assignments to auxiliaries and individuals of those unsupported.

4. That a written contract be made between the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society of the first part and General Conference of Free Baptists of the second part, that the buildings in India belonging to the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society shall be used in the future as in the past for the purposes for which they were designed, namely:

Sinclair Orphanage, for girls and single women missionaries; Caroline A. Bradbury Kindergarten Hall, for Kindergarten school and training of Kindergarten teachers; Dorcas Smith Widows' Home, for widows; Henderson Home, at Midnapore, a home for single women missionaries; Brown Dispensary, for use of a woman medical missionary. These buildings shall be free of rent so long as they are kept in thorough repair by General Conference of Free Baptists. There shall be a standing committee appointed annually by the Woman's Missionary Society, said committee to consist of two in India and one in America, who shall see that this contract is carried out.

5. That auxiliaries and individuals may continue all special work that has been assigned them by Woman's Missionary Society, like the support of Miss L. C. Coombs by Maine, Miss E. M. Butts by New Hampshire, Dr. Shirley H. Smith by Vermont, Kindergarten Missionary by Rhode Island, Dr. Mary W. Bachelor by Michigan, Miss J. J. Scott by Iowa, Miss E. E. Barnes by Roll of Honor, also children in Sinclair

Orphanage, widows in Widows' Home, Zenana Teachers, Bible Women and schools.

6. That the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society may at any time communicate suggestions to General Conference of Free Baptists or its Board relative to the work in India, to which contributions are made through the treasury of the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society.

7. That all future changes in this Plan or its conditions shall be made by mutual consent of both parties.

ALICE M. METCALF, *Recording Secretary.*

The Joint Committee further recommend that the plan of the W. M. Society of operating through auxiliaries in the Y. M., Q. M.'s and churches be continued and extended, and that

The details for working out this plan be referred with power to the Ex. Com. of Conference Board.

(Signed) RIVINGTON D. LORD, ORIN D. PATCH, HENRY M. FORD,
LUCY P. DURGIN AND FRANCES STEWART MOSHER.

GREETINGS FROM NATIONAL OFFICERS

FOR THE ROLL CALL AND MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Greetings of the President to each individual member of the National Society. Eph. 3:14-21:

MARY A. DAVIS, Ocean Park, Me.

Dear Fellow Workers—East and West and South, and across the sea, please find my wish for you in Numbers 6:24-26.

Faithfully yours,

SARAH C. G. AVERY, Wells, Me.

I want, as Treasurer, to congratulate all our auxiliaries and friends on their loyal, consecrated work during the past year. We all should be happy over the results, as the gifts to the regular work and Thank Offerings *have been larger than ever before*. Amidst new conditions, I look for equally as good service in the year to come, because I believe God is guiding our steps.

LAURA A. DEMERITTE, Ocean Park, Me.

Another summer's record has been made and your Recording Secretary is in her home again. Dear Sisters, it is not your Secretary alone who is making records. The daily life of each of us is being recorded in the Great Book and we are responsible for the character of those pages.

We are beginning a new year. The past one has been wonderfully blessed. New Auxiliaries have been formed; interest in Cradle Rolls increased; our work at Storer has prospered, and India has felt the power of the Christ to the saving of souls. With the pure white page open before us, can we make a better record for our Society than this? *Let us try.*

ALICE M. METCALF, Carolina, R. I.

GREETING FROM OUR GENERAL SUBSCRIPTION AGENT

Certainly at the Roll Call meeting, interest will be felt to know about THE HELPER. Frequently, during the year, auxiliary members write words of appreciation of THE HELPER and express their wish for its success. It is a pleasure to take this opportunity to say "Thank you," to each local agent and individual reader who has helped to make our magazine the useful agent that it is in all our mission work.

However faithfully editor, publisher, publication committee, contributors and printer may work, our magazine cannot fulfil its mission without a long list of subscribers. So we say thank you to everyone who subscribes for and reads THE HELPER, and may the number of such increase, year by year.

We are glad to be able to report that subscriptions are well paid up to date. The year has tested the loyalty to our magazine, on the financial side, more than ever before. Reports for annual meeting in October are just being figured out and it is too early yet to forecast the result, but we do know that we shall need the same steady support that we have had during all the years, and also more special pledges than we now have to enable us to meet necessary expenses the coming year. Read the fourth page of cover of this issue of HELPER, and decide what you can do in one of the special ways suggested for our magazine, and report to your subscription agent.

Sincerely yours,

ELLA H. ANDREWS, Providence, R. I.

Never before in our 95 years has the hand of God been more manifest in preparing the nations for Christ.—*Dr. C. H. Patton, in the Missionary Herald.*

"If Jesus is worthy of our worship, he is surely worthy of our work."



Ghost has as definitely appointed him to intercede in behalf of that field, as He has appointed others to be pastors there in person. (6) He takes his appointment from the Holy Spirit, and no more expects to be fruitless in his efforts for that field, than does the man who takes an appointment from the church visible and sails for the field of his labours. (7) He lives in the spirit of prayer, but his special work begins when he daily enters his closet of prayer and shuts the door upon all that is around him, finding himself alone with God and the needs of the work which call forth his prayer. (8) He will not leave his field for which he intercedes any more than the missionary to India or China will think of leaving the station to which he has been appointed. Missionaries have toiled for years on the foreign field without seeing any result: the intercessory foreign missionary will, if need be, do the same thing. The Harvest is sure.

This is an intercessory foreign missionary, and the Church needs him. Prayer is the greatest need of the Church to-day—in fact it is the only great need. Both men and money will flow out in abundance when prayer has prepared hearts and channels. Have we each done *all* we can to prepare them?—*Indian Witness*.

EVERYDAY NOTES

FROM PERSONAL LETTERS FROM "DR. MARY"

My latest acquisition is a musical instrument that I ordered last time I was in Calcutta. It is what we used to call an accordion. It has a double set of reeds and four stops and is very portable. It is three octaves and makes a big noise when the stops are pulled out. I took it to prayer meeting one evening and led the singing with it. I got it particularly for the Sunday afternoon children's meeting, so I could the better teach them new hymns. The dear little organ that Maria gave me has been a great pleasure and comfort during the last two and a half years, but it is not easily carried to the schoolhouse where the meetings are held. I tried having the children at the house for their meeting, but they broke the plants, and in other ways were objectionable, so we gave that up. When all attend there are over thirty, and sometimes they are very restless, inattentive and playful. What would you do then? I try to keep their involuntary attention, but that is difficult when their ages vary from three to thirteen. They sit on benches and I plan to have the benches far enough apart so no child's toes can reach the child in front! When they are good, they are very good, however, so it about evens up in the long run. * * * We are thankful that our young men are realizing their sinful lives and wanting to be good. Only one of those who

were blessed by the revival has gone back. The others, fifteen or more, are holding on and gaining in strength. The Lord help them! * * * We have had a rather dreadful spell of weather, a good many days and nights of heat, when the thermometer registered 88 degrees. Miss Coombs and I sleep on the veranda. The Wymans sleep on their roof. * * * Mr. Oxreider has bought a pair of buffaloes that grind things in a circular mill. They don't know how to pull anything in a straight line, so they take a garry round and round! The bullocks couldn't work the mill, they wanted to go straight ahead! * * *

We had the usual adventures at Chandipore, which never fail to interest, at the time. Dr. Kennan was our Nimrod and shot a crocodile, a deer, a pig and three rabbits. The next day we were all invited to eat rabbit pie. It happened to be Mrs. Burkholder's birthday, so we called it her birthday breakfast and wrote her about it. She replied and said, "How good it all tasted!" There were twelve of us all together, counting the two children, and we did justice to the breakfast provided.

The crocodile had some jewelry inside it, bracelets and anklets and toe rings and a nose ring. That is not necessarily so gruesome as it sounds, for he may have eaten dead bodies that were partly burned and floated down the river. * * *

I saved up some "real India stories" for you a while ago. They were quite awesome. Think I told you about Mrs. Wyman calling me in one evening to kill a snake for her and when we opened it out from its coil found it to be a young cobra. I felt quite valiant for I generally call some one in to kill my snakes for me.

One night it was so hot, Sachi's children were sleeping on the floor. One of them was wakened in the night and something glided along the head of the mat on which they were lying. She gave the alarm and a big cobra took refuge under a box, where they heard it hissing, deep angry hisses. A neighbor came in with a gun and shot it. When it was laid out, it was nearly six feet long, the kind called the milk cobra. A few days after, Esther, Sachi's wife, was sitting on the veranda, leaning against a pillar, while entertaining a visitor. She felt something on her shoulder and put up her hand to brush away what she thought was an ant. The creature stung her badly and she fled into the house, took off her sari and shook a big centipede from the folds.

Midnapore, India.

TREASURER'S NOTES

The Board of the F. B. Woman's Missionary Society held several meetings at Ocean Park during the month of August. Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Michigan and Minnesota were represented. There were present from our western constituency Mrs. M. A. W. Bachelder, Mrs. Harriet Phillips Stone and Mrs. Lou M. P. Durgin. During the time, the Kindergarten work received careful at-

tention. A Kindergarten missionary is very much needed at Balasore. A woman thoroughly fitted for the work, including normal teaching, and feeling herself called to India, would have, at Balasore, a large field for the exercise of her abilities. At the present time Mrs. Harriet Phillips Stone, Battle Creek, Mich., is chairman of the Kindergarten committee, and would be very glad to correspond with any such woman. The meetings of the Conference Board began Tuesday afternoon, August 21, and continued till Friday evening. On the morning of Friday the Board adopted, without a dissenting voice, the conditions on which the F. B. W. M. S. accepted, last autumn, the plan which the Conference Board adopted one year ago. This means that, after about ten years' discussion and rejection of plans—unification and joint committee—the two bodies have agreed on a basis of united work in our India field, to take effect as soon as the committee in India is organized and contract is signed. The plan, including the conditions, appears in this issue of the MISSIONARY HELPER. It will bear close scrutiny. The longer you study it the surer, I think, you will be of the following facts: First, that it greatly increases the influence in the field of all the women missionaries, married and single, as under this plan, every woman has the same representation as has every man, and men and women, working and planning together, ought to do better work than under the old conditions. This committee of the whole the missionaries have wanted for a long time, and your treasurer is glad their desire is granted. May it prove a great blessing to our India field.

Second, that all the work that has been done in India by the F. B. W. M. S. through State, quarterly meeting and local societies and individuals, like support of missionaries, States, children in Sinclair Orphanage, Zenana and Bible women, Kindergarten work and widows, is still left to us. So that *there need be no change in plans or methods by our auxiliaries, or personal contributors.*

Third, that our MISSIONARY HELPER continues a helper still, with enlarged opportunities of usefulness.

Fourth, that the plan safeguards our properties in India, and does not touch our invested funds, or our home work.

Fifth, that it is based on a just principle, for, while it gives General Conference the control of the India work, the Conference becomes financially responsible, our relation to it being now similar to that of the Young People's Society.

Sixth, that the plan encourages the extension of our auxiliary work. Here is an opportunity for forming new auxiliaries in such a way as to help the missionary work of General Conference, while interesting men and women as they may not have been interested before, through the study which a well organized society offers. There is nothing in our Constitution which prevents men from becoming members of auxiliaries. Personally, I believe that if we work as hard under this plan as we have in the past, our General Conference and Free Baptist Woman's Mission-

ary Society will have a far greater mutual interest in one another than ever before, and so possibilities for good not even dreamed of, await us. May I prove to be a good prophet!

The Woman's board had a session at Ocean Park, after the Conference Board adjourned. The details of the new relations between the two Boards were carefully discussed. An excellent spirit prevailed during the discussion, and it was evident that our workers in the different States intend to do all they can to make the plan, through special work, a success. And this work has been so carefully systematized that, unless something unforeseen happens, it may go on indefinitely in the future. To a larger degree than ever before the General Society will be a trustee, and we all should earnestly pray that the society may sacredly administer this trust, and this means that it is the duty of the Society to carry out the wishes of the donors, and that the donors, through personal contributions and wills, clearly state what they wish to be done with their gifts.

The receipts for the year ending August 31, 1906, are larger, for the yearly appropriations, than in any previous year, besides a gain in invested funds, and in the Thank-Offering, which is the largest we have ever received. Loyalty amidst unsettled conditions has characterized our work during the past year. We certainly have very great cause for gratitude to our Heavenly Father, which will arouse in us, I trust, a new consecration to the duties which await us under new conditions. And we face towards other problems, involved in the agitation of the question of union with another denomination. The times call for a lively exercise of faith in God, and a constant resort to His guidance in the Quiet Hour. May we so serenely and expectantly wait before Him that Heavenly Light will come.

LAURA A. DEMERITTE, *Treasurer.*

Ocean Park, Me.

(All money orders should be made payable at Dover, N. H.)

In Memoriam

"They can not wholly pass away,
How far so e'er above,
Nor we, the lingerers, wholly stay
Apart from those we love;
For spirits in eternity,
As shadows in the sun,
Reach backward into Time, as we,
Like lifted clouds, reach on."

Mrs. Susan M. Moak, West Oneonta, N. Y., March 31, 1906.

Mrs. Marilla Holmes Culver, West Oneonta, N. Y., March 19, 1906.

Miss Sarah C. Chapman, Shelby, Ohio.

Mrs. Florence I. Hill, Strafford, N. H., June 26, 1906.

Helps for Monthly Meetings

"With knowledge to supply the fuel, the Word and Spirit to add the spark, and prayer to fan the flame, missionary fires will be kindled, and souls will be set ablaze with holy zeal."

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TOPICS FOR 1906-1907

October—Roll-call and Membership.

November—The Island World:

1. The Society, Hervey, Astral and Pearl Islands.

December— 2. Samoa, Tonga and Micronesia.

January— 3. The Hawaiian Islands.

February—Prayer and Praise.

March—Our Missions at Home.

April— 4. Fiji, The New Hebrides and Melanesia.

May—Thank-Offering.

June— 5. New Zealand, New Guinea and Malaysia.

July— 6. The Philippines.

August—Missionary Field Day.

September—Native Christians, Their Work and Gifts.

NOVEMBER—The Society, Hervey, Astral and Pearl Islands

(Christus Redemptor." Chapter I.)

Suggestive Program

"I am engaged in the best of services, for the best of Masters, and on the best of terms."—*John Williams*.

NOTE—It has been brightly suggested that the opening meeting be conducted like a District School, with the [leader for teacher, and auxiliary members as scholars. Each class should have its lesson assigned in advance. A good map is indispensable. A fine one will be furnished by Mrs. Chapman for 50 cents.

At tap of the bell. OPENING EXERCISES:—

- 1 SINGING—"Land a-head! its fruits are waving."
- 2 SCRIPTURE READING—Selections from Isaiah 42.
- 3 PRAYER.
- 4 ROLL CALL—Quotations from John Williams, or from natives of the Island World.

SPELLING CLASS, to spell the great divisions of the Island World.

GEOGRAPHY CLASS, pointing out the great divisions on the map, and having different members of the class describe the physical features, location, climate and resources. (Refer to Introduction, as well as first chapter, of text book, and any other material within reach.)

HISTORY CLASS, telling of early missionary efforts in the Society, Hervey, Astral and Pearl Islands, closing with a "Quiz" of six important review questions written on the blackboard.

THE STORY OF THE LIFE OF JOHN WILLIAMS, told by a clever pupil. (See leaflet mentioned on fourth page of cover of September *HELPER*. The life of John Williams is in the "Reference Library," prepared to accompany text book. "The Miracles of Missions" contains a thrilling account of the life of this "Apostle of the South Seas.")

PRONUNCIATION TEST—Five minutes. (See "How to Use *Christus Redemptor*," page 23. Furnished by Mrs. Chapman for 10 cents.

SINGING—"Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me."

BUREAU OF MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCE

The package of helps advertised on cover of September *HELPER* contains the following leaflets: "How the Chains Were Broken," a sketch of Admiral Dewey; "A Short Story of a Long Bondage," a story of the Philippines; "First Days in the Philippines," and "Filipino Flashlights;" also suggestions for an evening entertainment in the form of a trip to Manila, with tickets for same.

Additional leaflets which can be obtained are:

Missions in the Philippines, .02.

Mignel Gillergom, .02.

Titus Coan, pioneer missionary to Hilo, Hawaii, .02.

The Story of the Islands, .02.

Mission Ships, .02.

The Loochoo Islands, .02.

The Straits Settlements, .02.

Joel Bulu of Fiji, .02.

Send for information and send orders and money to

MRS. A. D. CHAPMAN,

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THE MISSIONARY HELPER BRANCH
OF THE
International Sunshine Society

Have you had a kindness shown?
Pass it on.
'Twas not given for you alone—
Pass it on.

Let it travel down the years,
Let it wipe another's tears,
Till in heaven the deed appears,
Pass it on.

ALL letters, packages, or inquiries concerning this page, or Sunshine work, should be addressed to Mrs. Rivington D. Lord, 593 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., president of this branch.



The Sunshine deeds of Mrs. Weymouth Johnson, for the past month, have been many. They have consisted of writing cheerful letters, remembering those in sorrow, and doing all possible in the name of sunshine. Mrs. Jennie E. Boucher has offered to give three crib quilts, which will be passed on to the Day Nursery, and is also sending THE MISSIONARY HELPER to an I. S. S. sister.

Mrs. Frank D. Folsom writes, "I am so glad to be counted as a member of the Sunshine Society, and am pleased when I can in any way help and cheer the unfortunate ones," a money gift came to endorse the above words. Her two daughters, Edna and Doris gave twenty-five cents each for the Babies' Milk and Ice Fund. They have given to this fund many times since becoming interested in the good cheer work.

Miss Bessie M. Blood has sent in a number of dainty mounted pictures and fancy cards. They were so pretty we lost no time in sending them on their sunshine journey to cheer others.

A letter from Miss Mary L. Ashley tells of an active sunshine life. A Maine member sent one dollar and ten cents "to be used for ice, or children in some way." This sister has been most helpful in many ways since joining our HELPER BRANCH.

Miss Minnie Stevens reports that she is glad to shed sunshine to others for blessings received.

We return thanks to Mrs. Dwight of Winnebago City, Minn. for a patch work quilt top, which will be made and used in our City work, thus saving expense of sending a large bundle. We can use all that are sent in this way. Mrs. M. A. Preston sent one dollar as a birthday offering. This is another sweet idea of this most thoughtful member.

We learn that Mrs. Mary A. Davis is making sunshine calls, and doing other kind acts.

Mrs. A. L. Russell gave one dollar. This gift was used for the aged widow mentioned in September HELPER.

Mrs. Nettie A. Fowler and her daughter, Mrs. Eva Allen, have also remembered this cause. They have also given patch work pieces and written letters of cheer.

One of our Portland members, who is greatly interested in missions, suggested that we take up the India Fund again. This we will be pleased to do if the members will send in their mites,—any gift however small will be gladly received.

Greetings on beautiful post cards have been received from Mrs. A. P. Stearns and Mrs. W. L. Dow.

Our members are invited to send in fancy articles for a Fair to be held in October for the benefit of the Sunshine Day Nursery of Brooklyn, N. Y. This is a most worthy cause and is doing a noble work.

Practical Christian Living

"We should not be satisfied with a religion in the *mind* of man, but should have something that we continually give vital expression to in our daily life."

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OUR QUIET HOUR

(10 A. M.)

JOY

"Patience is good, but joy is best!"

* * * There is nothing more exquisite in this world than the joy of little children; to see them quiver with delight, their faces flush with joy, and their eyes sparkle, as they throw themselves upon us, crying: "We are so happy." And sometimes it seems as though God comes into our life and says: "Little child, do not think that I am always using the rod and administering the bitter cup; I must do so sometimes, not because I like it; but now, come and have a good time and enjoy yourself to your heart's content."

You sorrowing people, take joy—open your heart to the glinting light. You lonely people, let God put in some gift of His tender thoughtfulness, to alleviate the monotony of life. You have passed through a great bereavement, do not shut yourself up with it, but accept the joys that God creates. * * *

We can only be glad for things which God has made, things for which we can thank Him, things which do not hurt or ruffle our holiest hours; these alone can come trooping into our hearts with music.

Everything which God has made is beautiful! O sorrow, God hath made thee—art thou beautiful? O black, sable night, without star or moon, God hath made thee—art thou beautiful? O terrible ache and pain that gnaws at the heart and never leaves it for an hour—art thou beautiful? When we look at these things apart from God, most certainly they startle, scare and terrify.

But perhaps we are not childlike enough. I like the story that is given in Kingsley's life. One summer morning he was sitting with a friend in his study, and his little girl came in with a long worm, exclaiming: "O, Father, look what a lovely worm I have got!" If we could see worms with a child's eye, we would appreciate them. God is so beautiful in Himself that if we do not see beauty in the things which He has made, it is only because our eyes are not opened yet. Some day, when we stand with Him and see the world in His light, all the horror and darkness will pass away, and everything which bears His signature will seem beautiful indeed. We may not now feel it to be so, but we dare to believe! and fi-

nally, in the very presence of God, the scales will fall from our eyes and we shall see that He hath made everything as it should be.

Do you love God? Do you live back in the heart of Christ? Do you know God? Oh, embosom yourself in Him! Let your life be hidden with Christ in God, and looking out upon the world from that standpoint, you will find that Paradise has come back and hear God say of everything that He has made, "Behold, it is very good."

Selected.

"The outer world is dark; my room is bright.
It is not fair that I should have the light
While others wander on in darkness still.
I'll place my lamp upon the window-sill,
And keep it burning brightly, that its ray
May cheer some traveler on his homeward way.

The outer world is dark; my world is bright.
It is not fair that I should have the light,
My life be freed from sorrow and from care,
While others faint with burdens I might share.
I'll keep my heart's lamp burning, that its ray
May cheer some soul upon his lonely way."

FLOWERS IN THE WILDERNESS

A spiritual life may be fitly called a wilderness, by reason of the many sweet flowers which spring up and flourish where they are not trodden under foot by man. In this wilderness are found the lilies of chastity and the white roses of innocence; and therein are found the red roses of sacrifice, when the flesh and blood are consumed in the struggle with sin, and the man is ready, if need be, to suffer martyrdom—the which is not easily to be learned in the world. In this wilderness, too, are found the violets of humility, and many other fair flowers and wholesome roots, in the examples of holy men of God. And in this wilderness shalt thou choose for thyself a pleasant spot wherein to dwell; that is, a holy life, in which thou mayest follow the example of God's saints in pureness of heart, poverty of spirit, true obedience and all other virtues.—*John Tauler.*

The burthen of suffering seems a tombstone hung around us, while in reality it is only a weight necessary to keep down the diver while he is collecting pearls.—*Richter.*

Words from Home Workers

"The most fortunate men and women are those who have worthy work to do, and who do it because they love it."

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MAINE—The missionary auxiliary connected with the Free Baptist church in Saco met on Wednesday, Sept. 5, at the summer home of Mrs. E. D. Thomas at Ocean Park. The day was an ideal one. Dinner was served in the grove where the salt sea breeze and the breath of pines gave zest to the appetite, and over all the September sun shone kindly down. These women are busy workers and at 2.30 p.m., together with the "Toilers-by-the-Sea," they met in Memorial hall to discuss plans for work. It was voted to take "Christus Redemptor," the study of the "Island world" as a text book for the ensuing year.

The literary program consisted of a very carefully prepared and helpful address, by the secretary, Mrs. Belle G. Prescott, on the comparative needs of the home and foreign field, illustrated with charts, and given in such a manner that it appealed to the hearts of her hearers; and an exceedingly interesting paper on that remarkable woman of India, Chundra Lela, and her search after God, by Mrs. Ethel DeMeritt, state treasurer of the New Hampshire Woman's Missionary Society.

At the close, a goodly company wended their way up Temple avenue, the walk up through the pines being one of the pleasant features of the day.—B.

MICHIGAN—The Sanilac Quarterly meeting reports five new members and three new subscribers for THE HELPER. They are much encouraged over the outlook for the future. The auxiliary at Paw Paw has been reorganized with ten members, and they send their dues. One woman there paid her dollar a year membership due right along, but for some time was the only one.—G.

"The home is God's kindergarten, where He prepares His children for the heavenly life, by giving them gifts and occupations."

Young People

MOTTO:—"No last year's growth avails for this year's service."



A quarterly Missionary Department conducted by Miss Minnie A. Mellows, 59 Kendall street, Lawrence, Mass., to whom all communications for this department should be sent.



Freely Ye Have Received, Freely Give

The Great Giver, James 1:17
The Greatest Gift, John 3:16
How God Gives, Matt. 10:8

How Give to God? Matt. 25:40
In What Spirit? II Cor. 9:7
Jusus' words about giving. Act 20:35.

—International S. S. Association.

Why Not

Thanksgiving Day. What does it mean to me, to you, to the nation, to the world? To many it means a day of cessation from daily routine, a day of feasting, visiting and pleasure seeking. But is this the real spirit of Thanksgiving? Certainly that was not the thought of the first Thanksgiving Day. Let us pause a moment to

"Count our many blessings, name them one by one,
And it will surprise us what the Lord hath done."

A very little thought will provoke the question, "What shall I render unto the Lord, for all His benefits toward me? A whole day will not seem sufficient time in which to thank Him for His many mercies. May we not make this season one of *thankfulness* and *giving*? Why not "bring an offering and come into His courts?"

Suggestions for a Thanksgiving Service

First, let a special committee be appointed by the young people's society to which shall be added the pastor, and two members of each of the other organizations of the church to form a union thanksgiving committee who shall arrange and perfect all plans for the service. This committee should arrange for the printing or mimeographing of a circular letter suggesting the goodness and bounty of God as shown by His gifts to us and the appropriateness of returning thanks to Him. It should contain also an appeal for an offering, as an expression of gratitude to Him, which should be used for some special missionary or benevolent work. These letters should be placed in envelopes which could be used as receptacles for the offerings made according to Scriptural methods as shown in II Cor. 9:7. The distribution of the letters could be made by boys and girls of the congregation to whom there should also be given a list of addresses showing where letters should be delivered. *The pastor should preside at the service.*

The following program is suggested:

Organ Voluntary. Singing, Holy, Holy, Holy, Congregation. Prayer by the pastor, closing with Lord's Prayer. Reading Psalm 100. Singing, "Come, Thou Almighty King." Scripture reading by a S. S. teacher, with musical response by boys and girls of the S. S. Psalm 107. After verses 8, 15, 21, 31, the response, "Praise Him" should be sung.

Words and music in "Flag Drill," by Mrs. Foster. D. C. Cook Co., Chicago, Ill. Recitation, "The Landing of the Pilgrims." The First Thanksgiving, a ten-minute paper. Present Reasons for National Thanksgiving, a ten-minute paper. Raising of the flag, while boys and girls sing "The Star Spangled Banner." Salute to the flag. Singing, "America." "Some Reasons for Denominational Thanksgiving," a ten-minute paper. For helps see files of the MISSIONARY HELPER as follows: Revival notes from Midnapore, July, 1906; "What We Have to Thank God for in Midnapore," Aug. and Sept., 1905; "Growth and Blessing at Balasore," March, 1906; Things to be thankful for in Balasore, Feb., April and May, 1905. Reference could be made to Plan of Joint Committee of Woman's Society and General Conference. See this HELPER.

Scripture reading by pastor, with musical responses by two choirs. Singing, Choir Number One, tune, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

"O, come, let us give thanks unto the Lord our God,
For He is good, His mercy endureth forever."

Reading of Psalm 136, verses 1—3, omitting the last clause of each verse except verse 3. Singing, Choir Number Two,

"Awake, my soul in joyful lays, and sing thy great Redeemer's praise,
He justly claims a song from me, His loving kindness, O, how free!
Loving kindness, loving kindness, His loving kindness, O, how free!"

Reading verses 4—22 omitting last clause of all except verse 22. Singing, third stanza of hymn, "Awake, My Soul." Reading, the rest of the chapter omitting the last clause of each verse except the last. Singing, second stanzas of hymn, "Awake, My Soul." Reading, Psalm 138:1-2. Singing, both choirs, "O, Come Let Us Give Thanks," etc. The American Standard Revision of the Bible is absolutely essential for this reading and the choirs should be in opposite ends of the church. Silent prayer, meditation and thanksgiving by Congregation. Offering. Music. A Plea for Consecration, the Pastor, text, Romans 12:1-2. Singing, Doxology. Benediction.

A Christmas Gift Social

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me." These are the words of the King whose birthday we celebrate. Let us make our gifts to Him by giving to the poor, the needy, the least. It would be well to ask the pastor to preach a giving sermon on the Sunday preceding, and to have some gifted member of the S. S. tell the story of the "Vision of Sir Launfal," during the S. S. session. A notice should be read requesting donations of food, clothing, fuel, cloth, books or any other comforts which could be sent to the hospitals, homes for children and aged people, and to needy families in the congregation. A simple entertainment could be arranged to make the event an enjoyable one. The donations could be distributed by boys and girls of the S. S. This has proven a great blessing where it has been tried, and is equally applicable at Thanksgiving time.

Juniors

A CHALK TALK ON GIVING

This may be given by a small boy with a toy blackboard. As he speaks the first six lines, he makes six small circles from right to left. As he says "head," "hands," and "feet," he makes a straight, perpendicular mark for each word. For "self" he places a large S over the last two marks, making a dollar mark. Completed, the figures read: \$1,000,000.

These are the pennies that I shall give
To the cause of Jesus as long as I live.
But a penny is such a very little bit
Of money, do you think they'll count it?
I'll make it count! I'll give much more!
How can I, though, from my scanty store?
I'll give my head, my hands, my feet,
I'll give myself, and it's complete.
And when I come with my gifts all told,
My pennies will grow a millionfold!
—Martha E. Race.

Junior Program

"A Cruise in the Island World." (Chapter I. The Cruise Begun.)

MEMORY VERSE—"The isles shall wait for His law."—Isa. 42:4.

OPENING HYMN—

(Air: "From Greenland's Icy Mountains.")

"Dear Saviour, bless the children
Who've gathered here to-day!
O send thy Holy Spirit,
And teach us how to pray!
Dear Lord, come then to help us
Obey thy great command,
And send the blessed gospel
Abroad through every land."

SCRIPTURE LESSON—Our Call to Service. I. It comes to us from Christ. (John xv. 16.) II. Our mission is like our Lord's. (John xvii. 18.) III. What our message is. (Rev. xxii. 17.) IV. The time to bear or send the message. (John ix. 4.)

PRAYER BY SUPERINTENDENT, followed by The Lord's Prayer in concert.
CHILDREN'S CONCECRATION HYMN—

(Air: "Just as I Am.")

Just as I am, thine own to be,
 Friend of the young, who lovest me.
 To consecrate myself to thee,
 O Jesus Christ, I come!

I would live ever in the light,
 I would work ever for the right,
 I would serve thee with all my might,
 Therefore to thee I come.

In the glad morning of my day,
 My life to give, my vows to pay,
 With no reserve and no delay,
 With all my heart I come.

Just as I am, young, strong, and free,
 To be the best that I can be
 For truth and righteousness and thee,
 Lord of my life, I come.

—*Little Worker.*

RESPONSIVE READING—

Leader. "The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer."

Response. "In him will I trust: he is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my Saviour."

Leader. "And the Lord gave Israel a Saviour."

Response. "Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and Saviour."

Leader. "For to give repentance and forgiveness of sins."

Response. "We know that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world."

Leader. "Look unto me and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else."

Response. "And all flesh shall know that I the Lord am thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty one of Jacob."

All. "To the only wise God, our Saviour, be glory and majesty; dominion and power, both now and ever."

SINGING—"Speed Away, Speed away on your mission of light."

THE LESSON—"A Cruise in the Island World," Chapter I.

NOTE TO SUPERINTENDENTS—The Junior text book for mission study, "A Cruise in the Island World," is so full of suggestions to leaders, and gives such admirable plans for the lessons, month by month, that it seems unnecessary to give an outline program in the HELPER. It contains, also, a good map. It can be obtained for 20 cents of Mrs. Chapman, 12 Prescott Street, Lewiston, Me. Note her announcements on the fourth page of September cover and in this number. The set of 25 pictures (25 cents,) which accompany "Christus Redemptor," will greatly aid the Junior Superintendent and interest the Juniors; and the new leaflets to which she calls attention, especially the biographical sketches of a few missionary heroes, are well adapted to illuminate special chapters.

Go with the spiritual life, the higher volition and action.
 With the great girdle of GOD, go and encompass the earth!
 Not for the gain of the gold, for the getting, the hoarding, the having,
 But for the joy of the deed;—but for the duty to do!

—Clough.

Contributions

F. B. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts for August, 1906

MAINE

Augusta, Chas A Milliken, \$80 for preacher and colporter; \$20 for gen work	\$ 100 00
Baldwin C R	30
Blane C R	1 00
Bridgewater C R	45
Bowdoinham Ridge Aux	6 50
Canton Aux, Miss Coombs	5 00
E Raymond Aux, Miss Coombs	2 00
Farmington Q M for Ollie	9 00
Ft Fairfield Aux dues \$5.80; T O \$10.80	16 60
Ft Fairfield C R \$4.71; A L B \$2.24	6 95
Gray Aux T O Miss Coombs	9 50
Georgetown Aux, general work \$9; Miss Barnes \$4	13 00
Lewiston, Main St Aux, Miss Coombs	9 00
Lisbon Aux, Miss Coombs	25 00
Litchfield Plains T O, L M, Mrs Addie Packard	7 00
Limerick Aux on L M fee	5 80
Mars Hill C R 60c; A L B 50c	1 10
Mapleton Aux, nat teacher "Paras"	19 00
No Lebanon Aux, Miss Coombs	1 00
No Lebanon, Willing Workers for Miss Barnes	4 00
No Berwick dues \$17.68; Murkha in S O \$25	42 68
Ocean Park, Toilers-by-the-Sea	2 00
Pittsfield Aux by T O \$3.15; dues \$30; mite boxes \$4	37 15
Portland Aux, Miss Coombs	10 00
Portland Aux, from Mrs L E Bolton sup "Raimoni" S O (\$20 of this towards L M Gen Soc'y Miss Ella Libby, 104 Fessenden St; \$5 L M Gen Soc'y Miss Lizzie Blake)	25 00
Portland C R, Orphan S O and on L M Gen Soc'y Mrs F A Hilton	5 00
Portland, Helping Hands, 1 sh Miss Barnes' sal'y and on L M Gen Soc'y Mrs Annie L Brooks	4 00
Portland, Miss Whittemores' S S Class for Kati, S O and on L M Gen Soc'y Miss Lizzie Blake \$1.50; Aux for gen Wk \$10.72	12 22
Phillips, Mrs Julia S Goldsmith, Bible Woman, Miss Coombs	25 00
Spragues Mills C R	2 15
So Gorham Ladies, Miss Coombs	5 50
So Windham Ladies, Miss Coombs	1 40

Scarboro Aux (T O \$14.62) for Elizabeth at Bal (for 1907 sup of Elizabeth \$5.38)	20 00
Scarboro Young Miss Helpers, Miss Barnes \$2.44; S S for S O \$2.50	4 94
Stroudwater S S for S O	2 50
So Portland and Cape Elizabeth for Jesus \$25; Miss Coombs \$7.11	32 11
So Portland Jrs Miss Barnes \$4; Katharine Huntley for Miss Barnes \$4	8 00
So Portland C R	4 77
So Limington Aux for Callie Weeks, S O and to com L M Gen Soc'y Mrs Helen M Pattee	3 00
Steep Falls Aux Mary Wingate, S O \$6.25; T O Storer \$1; A L's Miss Barnes \$3.32	10 57
W Danville, Mrs Frank	1 00
W Buxton Aux	2 00
W Bowdoin Aux, Miss Coombs \$25; Miss Barnes \$4; gen wk \$4.20	33 20
W Gardiner Ch. T O	2 00
W Falmouth Aux, Bal wk \$1; C R \$3.15	4 15

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Centre Sandwich Aux, \$4.25; T O \$4.75	\$ 9 00
Dover, F W and E E Demeritt for teacher	12 50
Hampton, \$5 Storer; \$5 Miss Butts	10 00
Manchester Aux, a friend toward L M	5 00
Somersworth Aux for B P School	7 00
Suncook, Clara M Warner for teacher "Emily"	5 00
Walnut Grove, A A E, T O	1 00

VERMONT

Corinth, 2nd Ch, Dr Smith	\$ 1 60
E Orange Ch, Dr Smith	5 00
Huntington Ch, Dr Smith	40
Huntington Asso W M S, Dr Smith	4 63
Hardwick Aux, Dr Smith	5 50
Lincoln Ch, Dr Smith	5 60
Lyndon Ctre Aux, Dorcas Smith Room Storer	5 00
No Tunbridge Ch, Dr Smith	10 80
No Danville Ch, Dr Smith	50
St Johnsbury Ch, T O \$2.25; C R \$4.95	7 20
Sheffield Ch, Dr Smith	9 00
Starksboro Ch, Dr Smith	7 15
Shady Rill Ch, Dr Smith	6 40
So Strafford Aux, Dr Smith	4 85
Sutton Aux, (T O 31c) Dr Smith	3 31

W Charleston Aux, Dr Smith	15 40
Williamstown Aux, (T O \$9.26) Dr Smith	13 26
Waterbury Centre Ch, Dr Smith	7 90
Waterbury River Ch, Dr Smith	40
Washington Ch, Dr Smith	7 00
A friend, Dr Smith	2 00

MASSACHUSETTS

Lowell, Chelmsford St Aux, nat teacher . \$	6 25
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RHODE ISLAND

Arlington Aux, Ind.	\$ 6 50
Carolina, Jr C E, 1 sh Miss Barnes' sal'y \$4; C R \$6.75; K W \$6	16 75
E Killington Aux, K W	1 00
No Sterling Aux, Ind.	7 00
Pascoag C R \$8; Aux T O Ind \$27; (to make Mrs Hannah Salisbury L M) Aux \$24 (T O \$18) for K W	59 00
Providence, Plainfield St, Primary and Junior S S, Miss Barnes	4 00
Providence, Elmwood Ave, Jr C E, child S O	6 25
Providence, Rog Wms Y P S C E for K W	18 75
Taunton Aux for K W	5 00
Mrs Albert Jefferson of Buffalo, N Y for Miss Barnes	4 00
Prospect Aux (T O \$5)	10 00

PENNSYLVANIA

Marshlands, C R	\$ 1 00
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OHIO

Rio Grande, Ruth E Brockett, T O for FM	\$ 25 00
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ILLINOIS

Campbell Hill Jrs for Miss Barnes \$4; dues \$1	\$ 5 00
Chicago, Mrs Sarah Fry for Miss Dawson	1 00

MICHIGAN

Avondale C E, 1 sh Miss Barnes sal'y . . \$	4 00
Amadore Ch, Dr B 12c; H M 13c	25
Bankers F B L B Miss Band for Miss Barnes	4 00
Bankers Aux, Dr B \$1.60; H M \$1.60; Storer 80c	4 00
Batavia Aux, Dr B	4 12
Cooks Prairie Aux, Dr B and on L M, Mrs Electa Wrigths, Horner, Mich	3 00
Calham and No Branch Q M coll for Miss Barnes' passage	2 00
Calham and No Branch coll for Miss Barnes	60
E Alganssee, T O, Dr B	10 00
Fairfield Aux, Dr B \$1.36; H M \$1.36; Storer 72c	3 44
Fairfield, T O, Dr B	16 00
Freemont Ch, Dr B 25c; H M 25c	50
Grand Ledge Aux, Dr B \$1.20; H M \$1.20; Storer 60c	3 00
Green Oak Aux, Dr B 60c; H M 60c	1 20
Goodland Ch, Dr B 50c; H M 50c and Storer 25c	1 25
Hillsdale Aux, Dr B \$2.40; H M \$2.40; Storer \$1.20	6 00
Hillsdale T O, Dr B	1 00
Jackson T O, Storer \$8; W H \$2	10 00
Jackson Aux, Dr B \$1.42; H M \$1.43	2 85
Kinderhook (T O \$9) C R 25c	9 25
Kingston Aux, Dr B 40c; H M 40c; Storer 20c	1 00

Litchfield Aux, Dr B \$1; H M \$1; Storer \$1; and passage Emilie Barnes \$5 (and on L M, Mrs Emma Cobb, Litchfield)	8 00
Maple Grove S S, Miss Barnes	2 53
Mason, T O, Dr B \$17.35; Miss Band \$4 for Dr B	21 35
Mason, Child Day Off, Miss Barnes \$4.25; Aux \$1.25	5 50
No Branch, T O, gen wk \$11; Jrs for Miss Barnes \$1.25	12 25
No Branch Aux, Dr B \$1.20; H M \$1.20; Storer 60c; Miss Barnes \$4.00	7 00
No Reading Aux, Dr B 2.66; H M 2.66; Storer 1.33	6 65
(bal L M Mrs Lura Northrop) No Reading, T O, Dr B	8 75
No Rome Aux, Dr B 70c; H M 70c; Storer 35c	1 75
Osceo Aux, Dr B 80c; H M 80c; Storer 40c	2 00
Onsted (L M Mrs Julia A Reed) for Dr B Oliver Ch, Dr B 40c; H M 40c Storer 20c (T O 3.00)	25 00
Onsted Ch, gen wk	4 00
Paw Paw Aux, Dr B 88c; H M 87c	3 00
Pittsford Aux, Dr B 2.00; H M 2.00; Storer 1.00	1 75
Reading Aux, Dr B 6.00; H M 6.00; Storer 3.00	5 00
St Joe River Aux, Miss Barnes	15 00
Smilac Q M, Dr B 1.84; H M 1.84; Sto 92c	4 00
Sand Creek Aid, Dr B 90c; H M 90c Storer 45c	4 60
Union Aux, Dr B	2 25
W Cambria Aux, Dr B 1.00; H M 1.00; Storer 50c (T O 8.00)	3 75
Watertown Ch, Dr B 1.60; H M 1.60; Storer 80c	10 50
Watertown T O, Dr B	4 00
	2 40

MINNESOTA

Brainard W M S, H M 5.00; F M 5.00 . . . \$	10 00
Champlain W M S, nat teacher	12 50
Poplar Grove Ch, W M S	7 50
Verona Miss Soc'y, F M	10 00
Winnebago City Aux, ½ H M; ½ F M . . .	11 40

IOWA

Spencer S S for Miss Barnes	\$ 10 00
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KANSAS

Horton, Jr C E, Miss Barnes	\$ 4 00
Summitt, N K Y M, C R, Lesta Josephine Tuppenny	15

MISCELLANEOUS

Sale Handk's, W H 5.15; S O 1.00 . . . \$	6 15
Income, Income Fund	10 00
From Collections taken by Miss E E Barnes for her salary	25 00

Total. \$1,246 63

LAURA A. DEMERITTE, Treas.

Ocean Park, Me.

Per EDYTH R. PORTER, Asst. Treas.

NOTES—Mrs J F Purinton, Bath, Maine, made L M Aug 1904, also the following by T O's etc; Mrs Caroline Richards, Bath, Maine; Mrs Lydia Chase, Lisbon, Maine; Mrs Mercy A Fenner and Mrs Mary F Perry, Providence, R I and Mrs Josephine M Walling, Pascoag, R I.